Receipts of the Department During the Year 1969 Operations of the Various Works— The Receipts and Expenditures. In the following statement, from the annual report of the City Controller, are given the receipts of the City Treasury during the year 1869 from the department for supplying the city with water:-Rente of 1867...... \$2,062-50

Penalty 202-46 Penalty...... 10,340°35 Fractional 47,939°13 Delinquent rents...... 3,652-50 425 11 Water pipe.....

Total \$842,497.91
The receipts for the year, as given in the report of the Chief Engineer, were, however, \$813,470.83, of which \$808,508.23 were received by the Register for water rents and percentages. The difference in the two accounts results from the entries on the books not being made on the same days, some time being required to transfer

717,649-37

69,673.58

4.962 60

the items from one department to another.

The expenditures of the department during the year were as follows:— Salaries, Chief Engineer's Office.... \$27,765-52 Office expenses 3,995 37 Salaries, at works 30,868 03 Supplies to works:-Coal and wood. 59,889-74
Tallow, oil, and gas. 3,940-48
Small stores, packing, etc. 2,492-86
Repairs to works. 18,333-00
Keeping grounds in order. 2,970-63
Buildings, grounds, and reservoirs Buildings, grounds, and reservoirs... Iron pipes, fire-plugs, and other fix-22,470.94 tures and material for laying pipes, 124,791-62 etc....Labor in laying pipes, etc..... 32,078:29 17,892 20

Expenses of shop.

Keeping pipes, etc., in good order... Drilling and making new attach-Fairmount, for old breast-wheels . . Germantown Water Company..... 5.000.00 Schuylkill Navigation Company Keeping up supply of water daring 20,073:49 Joans...... 468,526.66

Grand total \$909,768-28
In the following table are giving the running expenses of each of the works, with the number of gallons of water pumped during the year

1800:-		
Works. Fairmount Schuylkill	Renning Expenses, \$16,487.56 38,640:12 21,058:19	No. Gallons Pumped. 7,489,611,069 2,735,560,020 1,042,780,953
Wenty-fourth Ward. Germantown Roxborough	20,003 69 11,415 33 6,983 15	928,561,494 218,229,800 8,960,000
Market 1	6115 499-07	10 414 250 996

In the following are given the number of days each of the works was in operation during the year, together with the cost at each of raising one million of gallons of water into the reservoirs, and also the cost of raising the same quantity one foot high: -

Works, Da	65 65 49 65	Raising 1,000,000 gatts, bita reservoir. \$2:20 2-10 14:12 3-10 20:19 22:50 52:36	\$0.02 2-10 -11 3-10 -18 -12 1-10	
Delaware3	49	20·19 22·50		*18

"OUTSTANDING."

Taxes Due to and Warrants Due by the City Outstanding at the First of the Year. If every creditor of the city made prompt

payment, the city in turn would be abundantly able to make as prompt payment to all of its debtors. Below we give the amount of outthe present year, as well as the amount of outstanding warrants which were still unpaid at the same date, the figures coming down to a date two months later than those last pub-The amount of the outstanding taxes Janu-

ary 1, 1870, was as follows:— Taxes of 1860 and prior years.....\$1,148,541.26

	1901			210, 103 01
**				202,747.73
44	1863			235,210:34
4.6	1864			
+4	1865		*********	49.340.74
44	1866			870,992.48
94	1867	11.7.5.5.7.7.		282,808.44
**				701,778.03
Taxes of	1869			1,287,521.07
Total Ja	n. 1. 187	0		5.172.616-23
			outstanding	
			follows:-	
Warrran	ts of 186	2 and p	rior years	\$1,597.49
33				
+4.	" 186	5		12,623.48
44	64 100	CT.		00 101-50

· 1866..... 23,101·56

" 1868...... 5,988 09 " 1869....... 2,692,313 40

MEETING OF THE SKATING CLUB .- A meeting of the Philadelphia Skating Club and Humane Society was held last evening in the hall of the Washington Hose House, on Ninth street, above Filbert. The object of the meeting was to discuss the condition of the society. The organi-zation was made in 1849, and since that time some three hundred and fifty persons have been saved in summer and winter from death by drowning. There are in the neighborhood of three hundred members. The apparatus owned

.. 1867.....

by the society is very complete, and consists of three life-saving cedar boats, caution flags, sta-tion flags, grspnels, hooks, axes, etc. On skating days on the Schuylkill, each member present is obliged to carry a reel for the help of any one who may happen to fall into the river. On such days the house of the society is always open, and a physician and medical reme-dies are always on hand. Of late years the society has not had much labor to perform, or account of the mildness of the weather, but such a useful organization should not be suffered to die away. There may still be plenty of work

for it to do.

APPLICATIONS FOR DIVORCE DURING 1869. There were a large number of applicants for the intervention of the authority of the courts in the matter of the marital relation during the year 1869. In that time there were 330 applicaseverance of the tle which by some means or other had become irksome or unbearable to the parties concerned. Of this number, 79 were de creed in the different terms as follows:—March, 33; June, 28; September, 14; December, 4. There are still pending—of March term, 44; June term, 46; September term, 58; December term, 100. Total, 248. There were discontinued—in March term, 2, and September term, 1. In 203 cases there were returns of writs severed; in 7 case there were no returns; 2 writs were not taken out of the office, and 118 were returned non est innentus. In 23 cases the application was made by the wife and 107 by the husband.

THE "STAR" COURSE OF LECTURES .- This evening, at the Academy of Music, George William Curtis, Esq., will lecture on "Our National Folly—The Civil Service." An unvsually fine discourse may be expected on this occasion.

COMMENCEMENT OF THE PHILADELPHIA DENTAL COLLEGE, -The Seventh Annual Commencement of the Philadelphia Dental College, situated at No. 108 N. Tenth street, was held at the Academy of Music at 12 o'clock this morning. A large attendance of ladies and gentlemen were in attendance. At 11 o'clock the exmen were in attendance. At 11 o'clock the exercises commenced with the performance of various musical selections by the orchestra, among which were the following: Gems from Martha, Flotow: Aria, Rigoletto, Verdi; Shadow Dance, Dinorah, Meyerbeer; selections from Genevieve de Brabant, Offenbach; Waltz, Kuenstlerieben, Strauss; and the Finale, from the Huquenois, Meyerbeer. \$2,261.96

Haquenots, Meyerbeer.

The faculty met at 11½ o'clock in the green room, and at 12 o'clock appeared upon the stage, when the exercises proper commenced with Meyerbeer's Grand March from The Property was offered by Bishop Simpson, and the degrees were conferred on the graduates by the Hon. James Pollock. The address to the graduates was made by Professor S. B. Howell, of the faculty, and the valed dictory address by Mr. William H. Jackson, from Canada, a member of the graduating class. An address was also made by Rev. Mr. With-row, after which the benediction was pro-nounced. The exercises throughout were interspersed with fine music. The following is the list of graduates and the States and countries to which they belong:-

New York—L. A. Barber, Sumner J. Barber, Lansing B. Cook, Lyle B. Hohnes, Lewis C. Myers, Spencer M. Nash, John W. Pritchard.

Ohio—Daniel W. Clancey, Frederick A. Graham, George W. Jenkins, John W. Lyder, Cassius M. Richmond, James Solliday,

Massachusetts—Charles E. Bolles, H. Mason Perkins, Albert Warren

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Nova Scotia—Edward R. Cogsweil.
Mississippi—William C. Dickson.
New Jersey—William St. G. Elliott, M. D.
Miebigan—Henry J. Ewing.
California—John F. Grady, William S. Shleids.
Russia—E. R. Guth, M. D., James Semmi Levy.
Canada — William H. Jackson, Theophilus A.
Venner.

Venner.
Austria—Ferdinand Jarisch, M. D. West Virginia S. S. Johnson, Pennsylvania J. Warner Knox, George V. Krick,

Pennsylvania—J. Warner Knox, G Daniel B. Ramsey. Germany—Albert von Linderman. Norway—J. Moller. Alabama—Robert A. Savage, Louisiana—James D. Schepnoes. Switzerland—Francois Silveatre. Indiana—Evan Snider. Prussia—H. Charles Thimme. Maine—George A. Union. Maine—George A. Upton. England—David A. Wormald.

This commencement closes the seventh session of the college. The number of matriculants is now 73, coming from various sections, as follows:—Nova Scotia, 1; Prussla, 1; Hamburg, 1; Pennsylvania 13; Colombia, S. A., 3; Norway, 1; Maine, 1; New York, 10; Cuba, 1; New Jersey, 2; California, 3; Michigan, 2; West Virginia, 1; District of Columbia, 1; Canada, 3; England 1; Switzerland, 1; Massachusetts, 4; (Mis. 4sippi, 1; Vermont, 1; and Austria, 1. THE L'OYNTON PATENT FIRE EXTINGUISHER.

-Yesterday afternoon, another exhibition of the patent ne extinguisher was witnessed in West Philadelphia. The trial took place on a vacant lot near the New York depot. A pyramid over lifteen feet in height, composed of coal oil and tar barrels filled with shavings and drenched with crude Petroleum, was set on fire. Almost instantly the whole mass was enveloped in flames. The Superintendent of the Union Fire Extinguisher Company, Mr. Arthur M. Greene, was in no hurry to put it out, for, as he said, he wished to make this trial a thorough test of the merits of the machine. The heat of the burning pile soon became intense, driving the crowd of spectators to a considerable dis tance. It was then approached by a man with the extinguisher, who discharged a fine stream of water from its contents on the raging fire. The effect was magical. The flames were instantly checked, and in two minutes the fire was entirely extinguished. Not over one-fourth of the contents of one machine was used in this experiment. After some delay the fire was again kindled, and this time it was allowed to burn until the barrels were well charred, when the operation was repeated. The time occupied in completely subduing the flames was then only thirty seconds. These experiment are conclusive that the instrument was perfectly competent to the task assigned it, and the Union Fire Extinguisher Company can be congratulated on possessing one of the great inventions of the age. We understand that where the Boynton extinguisher is well known insurance companies have made large deductions in their rates, and it is but fair that they should do so. All public buildings, steamboats, warehouses, theatres, schoolhouses, etc. where property of inestimable value is in danger, and where human life would be sacrificed in case of fire, should be supplied with the Boynton fire extinguisher. The machine is always in readiness. The office of the company is at No. 118 Market street.

THE PARK .- The Commissioners of Fairmount Park have received a communication from the Union Passenger Rallroad Company in which that company proposes to pay \$500 towards defraying the expenses of music in the park the coming season. This should be the last straw to break the obstinate back of any one who may be opposed to that measure. The improvements in the park are now being carried forward with the greatest activity. Those who have not seen the ground since last summer will be greatly surprised when they again visit it. The old buildings, with the exception of the Rialto House, which is now used for offices by the engineers, surveyors, and officers of the park have all been removed from the plot bounded by the Reading Railroad, Coates street and the new park. Workmen are now engaged in grading the ground, and by next summer it will be entirely sodded and planted with trees. A foot path is being made from the Water Works to the park proper. This will be a great improvement, as formerly it was only with the greatest inconvenience that pedestrians could pass from one point to the other, and especially was this the case in wet weather.

CLOSING EXERCISES OF A NIGHT SCHOOL. The night school which has held its sessions during the present winter in the Philadelphia City Institute, at the northeast corner of Eighteenth and Chesnut streets, will hold its closing exercises on to-morrow (Friday) evening, in the lecture room of the institute building. The exercises will consist of music, recitations, declamations, and dialogues. The report of the principal, showing what has been done during the past session, the number of scholars, and their progress, will be read by Mr. H. B. Wittington, after which addresses will be de livered by Trustees of the Institute and invited guests. The exercises will be in at 754 o'clock.

Row on THIRD STREET .- Yesterday afternoon a man named George Beard amused him-self by beating a companion, at Third and Ches-nut streets, with a blackjack. A policeman come upon the scene and arrested the assailant, who passed the blackjack to a friend named Daniel McAnany. The latter was also arrested. Defendants had a hearing before Alderman Kerr. McAnary was discharged from custody, and Beard was held to bail to answer.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE .- An old man, a resident of the Seventeenth ward, was prevented from committing suicide at Noble street wharf yesterday, by Officer Clawson. The old gentleman gave as a reason for his action that he had a very bad son, and exhibited a black eye which his boy had given him. He was taken to the station, and from thence to his home.

RECKLESS DRIVING .- David Queen was arrested at Third and Coates streets yesterday upon the charge of reckless driving. He was taken into custody by one of the Seventh dis-trict policemen, and after a hearing before Alderman Toland was held in \$300 ball.

BEAT HIS WIFE .- Michael Tracey was arrested on Cadwalader and Master streets yester-day upon the charge of beating his wife. He was held in \$300 bail by Alderman Eggleton to answer.

CORNER LOUNGERS,-Twenty-one corner loungers were arrested in the Tenth Police district last night.

or Health.—The will making an appropriation of \$238,250 to the Board of Health to defray the expenses of the department for the year 1870 was called up in Common Conneil chamber on Thursday last, and, on motion, postponed. To-Thursday last, and, on motion, postponed. To-day the ordinance will no doubt be considered and finally acted upon. The bill appropriates \$2100 for salary of Health Officer, \$1800 for Chief Clerk, \$2000 for two assistant clerks, \$1200 for registration clerk, \$2550 for three assistant registration clerks, \$1200 for salary of Port Physician. For salaries of runner, four nuisance inspectors, two messengers, night inspector, and two vessel inspectors, \$5840; for the pay of ten vaccine physicians and ten col-lectors, \$5000; for fuel, furniture, etc., printing and advertising, for removal of nuisances, carriage bire, incidentals, etc., \$10,040; for salary of Lazaretto Physician, \$1500; salary of Quarantine Master, \$1000; salary of Steward, \$1200; for salary of gardener, bargemen, male nurse, female nurse, and watchman, \$3300; for clothing, medicines, channel visits, maintenance of steaming, etc., \$14,150; for the support of the Municipal Hospital, \$15,060; for cleaning the streets, removing ashes, etc., \$170,310.

RECEITS OF TAXES .- The following is a statement of the receipts at the office of the Re-City tax, gross receipts Feb. 21. \$416,653 40

Feb. 23..... 210,444 88 \$027,008-08 Discount allowed Net receipts \$584,164-80 This is about \$160,000 more than the first two days under the last administration.

The Union League.—To fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Mr. Horace Binney, Jr., Hon. Morton McMichael has been elected President of the Union League. Mr. William Sellers has been chosen Vice-President in the place of Mr. McMichael.

CUTTING AFFAIR. - In Mike McCrystal's tavern, at Fourth street and Girard avenue, yesterday, a disturbance occurred, during which a young man named John McClernan was cut on the left cheek with an oyster kulfe. No arrests were made.

THE STABBING AFFRAY of night before last was not so serious as at first reported, the cut sustained by Mr. Isaac Biedigheimer being merely a flesh wound. It arose from an effort made by him to induce a young girl who was in dubious company to return to her home.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT .- William Adams was arrested at Fifteenth and South streets yesterday for drunkenness and disorderly conduct. De-fendant had a hearing before Alderman Morrow, and was held in \$500 ball to answer.

STOLEN PROPERTY .- An owner is wanted at the Seventeenth district police station for two pairs of new boots found in the possession of a

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

Nist Prius Chief Justice Thompson. EBIE.

In the case of Prentiss vs. The Great Western Railway Company et al., Chief Justice Thompson this morning made the following order:— Now, February 24, 1870, this case came on to be

heard on exceptions heretofore filed by leave of court; to wit, on the Sth day of February, 1810, by Azariah Flagg, trustee, by his counsel G. F. Tilden, Esq., to the lease heretofore authorized to be executed by the Receiver, Hon, Reuben Hitchcock, of the Atlantic and Great Western Railway Company, to the Eric Railway dated the Eric Railway dated

to the Brie Railway, dated the — day of January, 1870, and was argued by counsel on said exceptions, and on testimony taken by C. H. T. Collis, Esq., appointed by the Court for that purpose in support of and against said exceptions, and it is now here considered, adulted and decreaed the considered, adulted and decreaed the considered, and decreaed the considered judged, ordered, and decreed that the said excep-tions so filed as aforesaid be and they are hereby severally overruled and dismissed at the cost of the severally overruled and dismissed at the cost of the exceptants, and the said lease is approved to stand with the said modifications not embraced in said exceptions, viz.:—That all that paragraph, the last but one in said lease contained, wherein it is provided that all questions of controversy between the Atlantic and Great Western Railway Company, or any trustee, etc., shall be referred to William Mitchell and Hamilton Verbissen of New York corrections. N. Robinson, of New York, counsellors-at-law, as arbitrators, to hear and determine under and pur-suant to the statutes of the State of New York, relative to arbitrations, be stricken out, and that the words at the end of the fifth preceding paragraph, viz., by the arbitrators, as "hereinafter provided" be also stricken out and the words "at law or in equity

Ridgway & Lewis vs. Atkins Bros. An action to recover for a patent doorframe for furnaces. old and delivered. Before reported. Verdict for plaintiffs, \$952.

Court of Quarter Sessions-Judge Ludlow. Jefferson E. Williams, President of the Con-servatory of Music in Walnut street, above Fenth, was this morning tried for an indecent Tenth, was this morning tried for an indecent assault upon two of his pupils, boys twelve or fourteen years old. The facts were uncontradicted, but so indecent as to prohibit their publication in our columns. After hearing the instructions of the Court, the jury retired to deliberate, and at the close of our report had not

District Court, No. 1-Judge Hare. Edward Shippen vs. The City. Case sub-mitted without defense, and verdict for plain-

Same, trustee, vs. Same. Verdict for plaintiff Same, trustee, vs. Same. Verdict for plaintiff \$464.25.

William Dunlap vs. George Campbell, Ar action to recover damages for injuries to plain-tiff's borse that was stabled with defendant, and alleged to have been so carelessly treated as to render him useless. On trial.

District Court No. 2-Judge Stroud. Fanny Lockhart vs. Samuel Cooper. An action to recover damages for an alleged breach of marriage promise. The plaintiff, a seamstress by trade, set forth that the defendant paid constant attention to her for two years; made love to her, and finally, one evening, as they were walking home from a neighbor's, he took from his pocket a small Bible and upon it swore, with all the bright hosts of the firmament twinkling, blinking, and winking at him, that he would marry none but her, and "his hand hers pressing on," he exacted from her a similar pledge, saying they were then "as good as married." A few evenings after he asked her for the loan of \$700, which she declined to make, saying that after they had been duly united in the holy bonds they would run a partner-hip business, and then they fixed a day in April last for the happy event. In the meantime he looked about for stores, but none of his selection suited her, and at length he became weary of the whole affair. threw up the epouge, said he had changed his mind, and gave her notice to seek another. For this breach of faith the lady seeks by this action to be compensated. On trial.

New York Money and Stock Markets. New York Money and Stock Markets.

New York, Feb. 24. — Stocks unsettled. Money easy at 566 per cent. Gold, 116%. Five-twenties, 1862, coupon, 114%; do. 1864, do., 1187; do. 1865, do., 114; do. do., new, 112%; do. 1861, 118; do. 1868, 118; 10-40s, 112%; Virginia 68, new, 65; Missouri 68, 92%; Canton Company, 68; Cumberland preferred, 80%; Consolidated New York Central and Hudson River, 97%; Brie, 28%; Reading, 97%; Adams Express, 63%; Michigan Central, 191; Michigan Bouthern, 88; Illinois Central, 141; Cleveland and Pittsburg, 108%; Chicago and Rock Island, 120%; Pittsburg and Fort Wayne, 191; Western Union Telegraph, 34%.

Stock Quotations by Telegraph-1 P. M. Glendinning, Davis & Co. report through their New York house the following:-

N. Y. Cent. & Hud R
Con. Stock Scrip. 96%
do. scrip. 96%
N. Y. & Eric Hall. 97%
Mich. South. & N. R. 67%
Mich. South. & N. R. 67%
Mich. South. & N. R. 67%
Cle. and Pitt. R. 102
Chl. and N. W. com. 71%
Chl. and N. W. com. 71%
Chl. and R. I. R. 120
Market irregular

Market irregular

The Asiatic Squadron-Nothing but the Murder of an Occasional Missionary to Disturb the Quiet-Naval Orders Customs Receipts.

Whittemore Case-Resignation The Accepted, and a Vote of Censure Passed.

FROM WASHINGTON.

The Whittemore Case.

Special Despatch to The Rossing Telegraph.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The case of Whittemore was called up to-day immediately after reading the journal. Whittemore having the floor was proceeding to speak, when the Speaker stated that it was his duty to state to the House that he had received Mr. Whittemore's resignation. The resignation was then read, and it was decided that Whittemore had no right to speak.

The resolution for his expulsion was laid upon the table, whereupon Mr. Logan offered another resolution censuring Mr. Whittemore for selling cadetships, and setting forth that he was unworthy of a place on the floor of this House. This was adopted by a large vote.

Brewers' Grains.
The Ways and Means Committee heard a large delegation of brewers to-day in modification of that part of the Internal Revenue law that relates to them.

The Cuban Question. The House Foreign Affairs Committee discussed Banks' Cuban resolution to-day, but took no action. It is ascertained that a majority of the committee favor it, and it will probably be agreed upon at the next meeting.

The Asiatic Squadron.

Despatch to the Associated Press.

Washington, Feb. 24,-Rear-Admiral Rowan, commanding the Asiatic Squadron, reports to the Navy Department, under date of Hong Kong, January 4, a satisfactory condition of affairs on that station so far as American interests are concerned. Peace and quietness appear to be the rule, with an occasional exception, such as the depredations of pirates and the murder of a missionary now and then.

The new French admiral had left Mong Kong with his squadron for the purpose of demanding satisfaction for the murder of a French Catholic missionary by the Chinese in Seclinan. The expedition had reached the mouth of Woosung river at last accounts.

There are in port at Hong Kong Italian, Prussian, and Austrian corvettes.

The health of our squadron is excellent. Another despatch from Admiral Rowan montions the naval honors paid to the memories of the late Secretary of War, ex-President Pierce and Rear Admiral Stewart, and were joined in by the English, Italian, North German, and Austrian vessels in port, by halfmasting their colors; and in the case of ex-President Pierce, by the ship of each nationality firing in turn 21 guns after Admiral Rowan's flagship, the Delaware, at noon.

Naval Orders. Lieutenant-Commander Ira Harris is detached from the Portsmouth and ordered home. Lieutenant-Commander George W. Coffin I ordered to duty as chief of staff of the command-

ing officer of the North Atlantic fleet.

Customs Receipts. The following are the customs receipts for the week ending February 19:-\$392,120

New York... Philadelphia... Baltimore....
New Orleans, from 5th to 12th..... Total \$4,860,619

Texas Senators Elected. General Reynolds officially reports to Adjutant-General Townsend that the Legislature of Texas elected yesterday Morgan C. Hamilton to the United States Senate for terms ending 1871 and 1877, and J. W. Flannigan, the present Lieutenant Governor of the State, for the term ending 1875. Distillery Seized.

Information reached Commissioner Delano this morning of the seizure of Kilpatrick's distillery at Chattanooga, Tenn., by the revenue authorities. Three hundred barrels of spirits were seized.

CONGRESS.

FORTY-FIRST SESSION-SECOND TERM.

Washington, Feb. 24.—The House amendment to the political disability bill was concurred in. Mr. Drake, from the Naval Committee, reported a

joint resolution appropriating \$639 as a balance due to the widow of naval Lieutenant H. R. Stevens. Passed. Mr. Howe, from the Library Committee, reported adversely upon the resolution for a painting, by J. H. Littlefield, of Abraham Lincoln. The following bills were introduced and re-

Mr. Pomeroy, for the sale of the Grant and By Mr. Pomeroy, for the sale of the Grant and Little Osage reservations in Kansas, the removal of the Osage Indians, and for other purposes. Laid on the table, the committee having reported on the

By Mr. Harian, to aid the construction of the Burlington and Southwestern Railway. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands. Resolutions were introduced and agreed to as fol-

By Mr. Chandler, directing the Secretary of the By Mr. Chandler, directing the Secretary of the Treasury to have examined the unfinished from structure known as the Marine Hospital building at New Orleans, with a view to the cost of completing the same, and the substitution of other hospital accommodations at that port.

By Mr. Sanissury, calling upon the Prosident for a copy of any commission or authority issued to Brevet Brigadier-General Ames as Provisional Governor of Mississippi, and in the absence of sach

ernor of Mississippi, and in the absence of such authority to inform the Senate under what autho-rity he has acted in that capacity.

By Mr. Williams:

Resolved, That to said to the present irredeemable paper currency of the country would be to render more difficult and remote the resumption of specie payments; to encourage and foster the spirit of speculation; to aggravate the evils produced by frequent and sudden fluctuations of values; to depreciate the credit of the nation and to check the healthful tendency of legitimate business to sptule down upon a safe and permaneut basis; and theredown upon a sale and permanent basis; and there-fore, in the opinion of the Senate, the existing volume of such currency ought not to be increased.

Agreed to without a division.

The proceedings opened in the presence of an immense throng of people in the galleries and cor-

immense throng of people in the galleries and corridors.

Mr. Logan called for the regular order of business, which the Speaker declared, to be the resolution for the expulsion of the member from the First District of South Carolina, on which Mr. Logan was entitled to the floor for one hour.

Mr. Logan said he would yield all but five minutes of his time to the gentleman from South Carolina.

Mr. Whittemore, therefore, rose and in a voice free from tremor or agitation commenced to read his defense. He had not read more than two sentences till he was interrupted by the Speaker, who, rising, said the Chair is greatly embarrassed by the receipt of a communication which the gentleman from South Carolina has this moment sent to the desk, and conceives it to be his duty to call the attention of the House to it, in order that the House may take such proceedings thereon as may be proper in the

tion.

Mr. Whittemore—I ask a suspension of the reading of that communication until I make such remarks as I propose.

The Speaker—The Chair must order the reading of it in order that his own conduct may be entirely within the rules of the House.

Mr. Whittemore—I recall the paper until I make some remarks.

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The Speaker—That earned be done. It is the duty of the Chair to isy before the House the communication, and the Clerk will read it.

H"WARHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 24.—Hon. J. G. Blaine, Speaker of the House of Representatives—Sir:—I enclose the following communication, addressed by telegram on the 23d instant, to the Governor of South Carolina, resigning my seat in Congress, and the telegram accepting the same. Please lay them before the House, and notify them that I am no longer a member of that body.

"Very respectfully, yours,"

Then follow copies of the telegram to the Governor of South Carolina, resigning his seat, and of the telegram from the Governor accepting the same, both dated February 23. The Speaker—Simultaneously with the gentleman from South Carolina taking the floor to speak, by his right as a member he sent to the Chair that communication, which shows that he is not a member of this House, and it is not in the province of the Chair to recognize any other than a member of the House.

If the judgment of the House,

other than a member of the House.

If the judgment of the House be that the gentlemen shall have unanimous consent to proceed alwill be for the House, not for the Chair, so to deter-Mr. Logan said the precedent had been that where a member of the Honse resigns, it depends on the House to determine whether that fact concluded the

question.

Mr. Eldridge made the point that a copy of the telegram from the Governor of South Carolina was no evidence of the acceptance of the resignation.

The Speaker overruled the point of order, and de-

ended that the resignation was a voluntary matter, Mr. Whittemore was not a member enough to be ex-

pelied.

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Mr. Banks thought that the House would be led into great difficulty if it accepted the doctrine that a member could resign his seat without the consent of the Money.

Into great difficulty if it accepted the doctrine that a member could resign his seat without the consent of the House. There was no better principle of parliamentary law established either in England or this country, then that a member of a parliamentary body cannot resign without the consent of the House, express or implied.

The very constitution of the body required that that view should be taken, and all the cases that had arisen in the House were consistent with that rule. The House would escape its present difficulty if it allowed the gentleman from South Carolina to speak in his own behalf. He would thus assume to be a member of the House, and the House could vote as it pleased on the resolution.

The Speaker remarked that the uniform practice of the House had been the reverse of the principle indicated by the gentleman from Massachusetts. The case of Mattison, in the Thirty-fourth Congress, was directly in point. Even in the Forty-first. Congress already, the Secretary of the Treasury and the Minister to France had resigned their seats in the House, and the gentleman from Massachusetts himself went through the same process when he was elevated to the Gubernatorial chair of Massachusetts.

Mr. Banks submitted that in those cases the constitution.

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Mr. Banks submitted that in those cases the consent of the House was implied, and insisted that if this House established the precedent that any member could cease to be a member without its consent, it would destroy the character of the House, and that it could not to be permitted.

that it ought not to be permitted.

Mr. Logan asked that the House should determine whether or not Mr. Whittemore was now a The Speaker said that, in accordance with the uni-

form practice of the House from the foundation of the Government, he had ceased to recognize Mr. Whittemore as a member of the House, and the way whitemore as a member of the House, and the way to test the sense of the House on the subject was to appeal from the decision of the Chair.

Mr. Logan said he should not do so.

Mr. Farnsworth said that he should do so, pro-

Mr. Cox moved to lay the appeal on the table. Agreed to.
The Speaker mentioned, as an additional pre-

the speaker mentioned, as an automorphic precident, the resignation of the members from the Southern States at a time when there were the highest reasons of state and national importance against accepting their resignations.

Mr. Dawes (Mass.) regarded this as a point of vital importance, and it seemed to him so dangerous a precedent to be established that a member could be accepted to the House willed it or not that he resign whether the House willed it or not, that he desired to put his opinion on the record against it.

The Constitution clothed the House with power to punish a member, but if a member could escape

punishment by merely resigning, whether the punishment by merely resigning, whether the House willed it or not, all power to control the House was at an end. The House could be left at any moment without a quorum, by a given number of members sending a paper of resignation to the desk.

He did not understand that to be parliamentary law. He knew that resignations had heretofore

been considered effective because there had been no occasion to question them. They had the implied assent of the House.

Mr. Farnsworth, with the consent of Mr. Logan. moved that the resolution of expulsion be the table. Agreed to without a division,

FROM THE STATE.

The First District Senatorial Contest. HARRISBURG, Feb. 24.—The proceedings last night of the committee on the contest between Messrs. Watt and Dlamond, over the seat for the First Senatorial District, resulted in a gain of 177 votes for Mr. Watt.

The returns of the Seventh division of the Third ward, heretofore missing, were produced by the Prothonotary, and the vote of the ward was found to be, for Diamond, 1913; for Watt, 1207; giving Diamond a majority of 706; while the return made by the return judges for this ward gave Diamond 1793 and Watt 943, a majority of 849 for Diamond.

The ballot-box of the Ninth division of the Fourth ward was also produced, and on examination it was found that the vote had been transposed by the return judges. A correct statement of the vote of this division increased Watt's vote 34, which, added to a gain of 143 in the Third ward, made a total gain of 177.

FROM THE WEST.

Wisconsin Moving.

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 24.—The Board of Supervisors of the county of Milwaukee have tendered their new court-house, to cost nearly a million of dollars, to the State for a capitol building, provided the capital is moved to Missouri Legislature.

St. Louis, Feb. 24. The State Senate yesterday passed a constitutional amendment extending suffrage to negroes, restoring the fran-chise to Rebels, by a vote of 25 to 5, to be sub-mitted to a vote of the people at the next general election. The Senate also elected Miss Nellie Raymond, of St. Louis, as engrossing clerk.

FROM NEW ENGLAND.

Fatally Stabbed. THOMASTON, Me., Feb. 24.—William Jones was fatally stabbed by Edward Andrews. The latter was arrested.

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Massachusetts Legislature.

Boston, Feb. 24.—A movement is on foot in the Legislature for a change of the Constitution, by which members of one or both branches of the Legislature may be elected for two or more years.

Church Burned. The Methodist church in East Weymouth was destroyed by fire yesterday afternoon. Loss, \$15,000 insured, \$7000.

FROM NEW YORK. Fatal Accident.

New York, Feb. 24.—A portion of the roof of a mine at Moriah, New York, fell in yesterday. A man named Martin, an Englishman, and another named Lynch, an Irishman, were killed.

New York Produce Market. New York Produce Market.

Naw York, Feb., 24.—Cotton dull; sales of 800 bales midding upland at 23 ½c. Flour—State and Western, the market favors sellers, with moderate business doing; Southern without decided change. Wheat dull and 1c. lower; winter red Western, \$1.26 @1.29; white atichigan, \$1.40. Corn scarce and firm; new mixed Western \$7.@93c.; new yellow Southern, \$1.02@1.04. Oats quiet and steady; State, 62@64c.; Western, 55@57c. Beef quiet. Pork heavy; new mess, \$26.50; prime mess, \$21.022. Lard heavy; steam in tierces, 15c. Whisky quiet at 99c.

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BUROPE

The Mordaunt Divorce Scandal-The "Times" Reads the Prince of Wales a Lecture-English Opinion of American Finance-Anxiety Concerning the City of Boston-Ball at the Tuileries - The French Cable Company.

FROM EUROPE.

The English Royal Seandal. By the Anglo-American Cable.

LONDON, Peb. 24.—The Times of to-day has an editorial on the scene in the court room resterday, at the trial of the Lady Mordaunt divorce case. The Times says the error of the Prince of Wales is due to his carelessness of his reputation and heedlessness in the matter of personal intimacies which are forbidden to royalty. Prince Albert's example was fauitiess, and the Prince of Wales will learn from it and exemplify a life free even from the semblance of levity.

English Opinion of American Finance.

The Times also has an editorial on the subject of the recent decision by the Supreme Court of the United States in the matter of legal-tenders, asserting that the decision restored English confidence in American justice.

The City of Boston. The underwriters are charging fifty per cent. pre-mium on the missing steamer City of Boston. Anniversary of 1848 in Paris. PARIS, Feb. 24.—Many banquets are being held to-day in honor of the anniversary proclamation of the republic in 1848.

Paradol's Appointment. The probabilities of the appointment of Prevost aradol Minister to Washington are again questioned. The flow of bullion to the Bank of France.

The flow of bullion to the Bank of France continues. The amount on hand to-day is 2,500,000 francs greater than last week.

Ball at the Tolleries.

A grand ball took place at the Tulieries last even-ing. Many Americans appeared among the great crowd of people present.

French Cable Company. The French-Atlantic Telegraph Company, at their last meeting, declared a dividend of 1% per cent. for five months, being from the opening of the line for business on the 15th of August, 1869, to January 15, 1870, the date of the agreement with the Anglo-American, Atlantic, and Newfoundiand companies.

The Latest Quotations.
Paris, Feb. 24.—The Bourse closed dull. Rentes, 73f. 90c.
ANTWERP, Feb. 24.—Petroleum closed quiet and steady at 60% f.
Ship News.

By the Anglo-American Cable.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 24.—Arrived out, steamer Hanover, from New Orleans, London, Feb 24.—The steamers of the North German Lloyd, New York, and Bremen line will hereafter discharge at Southampton Docks, instead of calling at Cowes.

The Flourens Trial. Paris, Feb. 24.—The action against Gustave Flourens for having aided in the desertion of two soldiers has been terminated. The prisoner did not appear in court to answer the charge. He was sentenced to three years' imprisonment.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Removal of Disabilities.

Despatch to the Associated Press.

Washington, Feb. 24.—The following Memphis names are included in the bill for the removal of political disabilities passed this morning:—W. T. Avery, A. Wright, D. K. McRes, Joseph Barbier, J. E. R. Ray, T. D. Eidridge, Henry Craft, C. Ketrecht, T. J. Wright, George Dixon.

CONGRESS.

Senate. Continued from the Third Edition.

Mr. Stewart moved to take up the bill to secure to all persons the equal protection of the laws.

Mr. Casserly opposed the motion, which was agreed to by a party vote. Yeas 49, nays 9.

The bill having been taken up,

Mr. Stewart said it would extend the operations of the Civil Proche bill to allow.

the Civil Rights bill to allens in the matter of pro-Mr. Pomeroy inquired whether the bill proposed to alter the law relating to the descent of property of foreigners, or to extend to them the right of pe-

Mr. Stewart replied that the bill had nothing to do with these things, that its sole object was the protec-tion of life and property.

The bill was then laid aside in consequence of the expiration of the morning hour, which brought up the matter of the admission of the Senator elect (Revels) of Mississippl.

House. Continued from the Third Edition,

Thereupon Mr. Logan offered the following resolu-tion:— Resolved, That B. F. Whittemore, late member Resolved, That B. F. Whittemore, late member from the First district of South Carolina, did make appointments to the Military Academy at West Point and to the Naval Academy at Annapolis in violation of law, and that such appointments were influenced by pecuniary considerations, and that his conduct in the premises has been such as to show him unworthy of a seat in the House of Representatives, and is therefore condemned as conduct unworthy of a representative of the people.

Mr. Butler (Mass.) asked unanimous consent that Mr. Whittemore be heard on that resolution.

Mr. Morgan objected.

Mr. Morgan objected.
The vote was taken on the resolution, and it was The vote was taken on the resolution, and adopted unanimously—yeas, 185; nays, none.
Thus ended the proceedings in this case, and the House then went to the more sober business of considering the legislative appropriation bill in Commit-tee of the Whole, Mr. Cessna in the chair, which was the signal for a general thinning out of the audience in the galleries.

FROM THE WEST.

Destructive Fire at Galveston-Loss One Million of Dollars.

Galveston, Feb. 24.—A fire occurred last night which destroyed a block on the north side of the Strand, between Fremont and Twenty-second streets, and the opposite square, on the south side of the Strand. Many of the houses were of little value, but filled with large stocks of goods. The loss is estimated at [51,000,000. The sufferers are as follows:—Dargin & Fabyn, William Barnes, Phœnix Express, T. B. Stubbs, Carf Bros., C. Barnett J. C. Gorham & Co., Ralph Levy & Co.; G. W. Grover, John D. Rogers & Co., W. H. Silvers, J. S. Sellers & Co., Union Marine Fire Insurance Co., T. T. Austin, B. & A. King, Burnett & Hall, Henry Sampson, Mound City Mutual Insurance Co., Dewoif & Sallivan, D. G. Herbett, Shackelford & Brown, Smallwood & Clark, C. E. Bronescod, C. W. Hurley & Co., S. Jacobs & Co., T. W. House, E. S. Woods, and L. H. Rhoads.

The Cleveland Fire.

CLEVELAND, Feb. 24.—The loss by the fire yester-day is \$60.000.

CLEVELAND, Feb. 24.—The loss by the fire yester-day is \$50,000, insured for about \$15,000.

FROM THE SOUTH.

The Southern Railroad Convention. Special Despatch to The Evening Telegraph.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 24.—The Southern Railroad Convention, in session at Barnum's Hotel, bave accepted the invitation from the Philadelphia and Wilmington and Baltimore, Camden and Amboy, and New Jersey Railroad Companies, to leave on an excursion to Philadelphia and New York at 9-40 on Friday morning.

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Baltimore Produce Market.

Baltimore, Feb. 24.—Cotton dull and heavy at 23%c. Flour firm and active for low grades. Wheat firmer; Pennaylvania, \$1-24@126; Maryand, \$1-34@136. Corn steady—yellow, 90@99c.; white, 95@96c. Rye dull and nominal at 93@95c. Mess Pork firm at \$17.00@39. Bason active and firm; rib sides, 15%@16c.; clear do., 16%@17c.; shoulders, 12%@18c.; hams, 19@21c. Lard, 16%c. Whisky in good demand at 99c.@\$1.

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